DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 89-78

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT:

HUMANITARIAN PAROLEES

REFERENCE:

MPP 42-431.221c -- ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

MPP 42-433.313 -- DOCUMENTATION -- ALIENS

This letter clarifies the determination of eligibility for cash assistance of individuals entering the United States (U.S.) under the immigration status of Humanitarian Parolee (HP) but who have not been admitted to the U.S. as refugees or asylees. Acceptable alien documentation for these parolees is the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Form I-94 (Arrival-Departure Record -- Parole Edition) endorsed to show that the bearer has been paroled in the United States under Section 212(d)(5) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. See MPP 42-433.313.

Persons in this status are considered to be residing in the United States under color of law according to MPP 42-431.221c and, therefore, meet the alienage requirement for AFDC eligibility.

An HP is not a refugee, and, therefore, is not eligible for refugee-funded cash assistance under the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) and/or Refugee Demonstration Project (RDP) Programs. See MPP 69-203 for further information. They are also ineligible, therefore, for refugee-funded employment, training and social services.

If you have questions concerning the refugee aspects of this letter, please contact your County Refugee Program Operations Analyst at (916) 323-2131. Questions concerning AFDC program requirements should be directed to John Honeycutt of the AFDC and Food Stamp Policy Implementation Bureau at (916) 445-1131.

Sincerely.

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Welfare Program Division

cc: Dr. Sharon Fujii

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